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August 28, 1978

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

The struggle of a number of concerned groups -- our own among them -- to save the CIA, the FBI, and the NSA from a slow death by a thousand cuts has entered a crucial phase.

The immediate danger centers on a mastodonic array of bills before Congress that would emasculate our entire intelligence and security network both here and abroad.

One of the problems we have to face is that a small, but strategically placed, band of liberal-leftist politicians in Congress is trying to maneuver these bills through the legislative machinery before the country wakes up to what is afoot.

These politicians claim that the proposed legislation will finally bring the whole intelligence community under the "rule of law" and protect the privacy of American citizens.

The truth is something quite different. The truth is that such legislation most certainly will stultify and stifle the capabilities of the CIA, FBI, and NSA in their task of gathering intelligence in support of our foreign policy and in defense of the national security.

That is a loss the U.S. can ill afford at this time.

The liberal-leftists in Congress -- by adroit if rather unscrupulous resort to parliamentary tactics -- have managed to seize, at least temporarily, a commanding position in both Houses.

For example, on April 20 -- only two days after the conclusion of the exhausting debate on the Panama Canal Treaty -- Senator Birch Bayh (D-Ind.), chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence -- took advantage of an open spot in the Senate calendar and a lull in the activity to call for a vote on Senator Kennedy's bill limiting the use of electronic apparatus in the

surveillance of foreign powers and of suspected spies and traitors.

Astonishingly, it passed, 95-1! Such a measure will literally encase the FBI'S counterintelligence effort in a strait-jacket.

Then, a few weeks later, Representative Robert S. Kastenmeier (D-Wis.) brought off a like coup in the House.

On the eve of the Fourth of July recess, he moved to cut off further testimony on the House's more or less parallel electronic surveillance bill by calling on his subcommittee, where he commanded a sure 4-3 majority, to vote for tabling the measure.

Kastenmeier succeeded. The action automatically sets up the bill for a final vote on the floor.

By that brazen stroke, Kastenmeier summarily isolated the main House Judiciary Committee from further debate. A number of expert witnesses whom our group and others had lined up to testify before that committee were turned away!

In the hope of stiffening resistance to the Bayhs and the Kastenmeiers, the officers of your Fund have been meeting with other organizations that share our concern.

They include: The Association of Former Intelligence Officers, the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, the International Organization of Chiefs of Police, and the National Sheriffs Association.

And to further improve our liaison with Congress, your Fund has retained Mrs. Robert McKee, who has a close working relationship with key legislative assistants on the Hill. Her task is to alert members of Congress to the risks and flaws inherent in the bulk of the proposed legislation.

We have also carried out our plan to convene a high-level conference with top national intelligence and security authorities for the purpose of getting their opinions and counsel.

The conference was attended by experts from different parts of the country: Richard Helms, former Director, CIA; James Angleton, former Chief of Counterintelligence, CIA; William Branigan, former Section Chief of Counterintelligence Operations, FBI; the Honorable Elbridge Durbrow, former U.S. Ambassador; John M. Fisher, President, American Security Council; Lt. General Daniel O. Graham, former Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; Mrs. Robert McKee, congressional liaison officer; N. Scott Miler, former Chief of Counterintelligence Operations, CIA; Donald E. Moore, former Deputy Assistant Director, FBI; Charles J.V. Murphy, former member of the Board

of Fortune magazine; Brigadier General Robert C. Richardson, USAF (Ret.); Raymond Wannall, former Assistant Director for Domestic Intelligence, FBI; Colonel George R. Weinbrenner, USAF (Ret.); and others, including expert congressional staffers from each House.

The thrust of the conference findings and its proposals for action are covered in the current issue of our Situation Report which went to you earlier.

Our unanimous decision was that our main target must be the omnibus bill described in our first Situation Report -- the 230-page "National Intelligence Reorganization and Reform Act of 1978." Our aim here is to gain a new charter which will restore a high degree of flexibility in the operations of the intelligence community and to inject a sense of realism in the controlling legislation.

Of deep concern to us is a provision in the various bills seeking to lodge in the Federal judiciary the power to authorize or deny the surveillance of organizations or persons for the reasons of national security. Heretofore, this power has been firmly vested by the Constitution in the President. So this proposal raises a fundamental constitutional question in regard to the separation of power among the Executive Branch, the Judiciary and the Legislature and the infringement on the Presidential authority.

In connection with the developments discussed in the Situation Report, involving the dropping of the indictment of John Kearney and the new indictments brought against L. Patrick Gray, W. Mark Felt, and Edward S. Miller, we want to report that your Fund gave \$10,000 to the Special Agents Legal Fund sponsored by the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, Inc. This modest sum is to help defray the legal expenses these men and others have had or will have to meet in the future.

The public has yet to appreciate the travesty of justice indulged in by, of all institutions, the Department of Justice itself in its frivolous persecution of Kearney, dating back to the tenure of Attorney General Levi. The costs to Kearney in pride are incalculable and in money have been enormous - more than \$158,000 was paid to his lawyers even before the Department of Justice was ready to confess that it had no case at all. In addition, nearly \$200,000 more has been spent on legal fees in support of other FBI officers to cover the costs of Grand Jury hearings, interviews and other quasi-judicial proceedings. Furthermore, 68 FBI officials are about to be subjected to "administrative action" - a bureaucratic euphemism for demotion, transfer, or other forms of degradation. This mass action is certain to stimulate further litigation by men rightfully determined to defend their honor.

The way we see it, the government owes Kearney and others an apology and financial restitution; and the Congress, so lavish

in generating legislation, should introduce a special bill that will do precisely that. We intend to push them hard on this!

At this stage, our resources and our time are being concentrated on the task of keeping these left-wingers in Congress from emasculating our national intelligence services.

BUT . . . quite frankly, we can't do it alone.

You see, we're up against a coalition of storm-troopers determined to wreck the national intelligence function. They are well-financed and highly organized. They command the allegiance of many Members of Congress -- Senators Bayh, Kennedy, and Church and Representatives Kastenmeier, Pike, and Dellums, just to name a few!

The enclosed Washington Post story reveals the latest anti-intelligence operation -- the Covert Action Information Bulletin. The avowed aim of its editors is sinister to say the least: to "destabilize" the CIA by "exposing CIA personnel and operations whenever and wherever we find them."

We have an uphill fight on our hands, and we want to win it to keep our intelligence and security communities intact.


Thus, once again, we call upon you for your support.

We know that you've helped us before. But this is an emergency, and our only source of funding is you and fellow Americans like you.

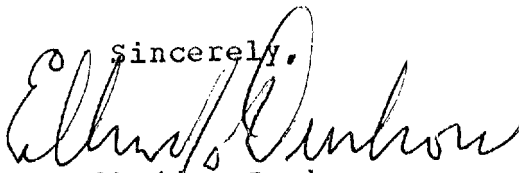
We must act fast to halt the current legislation in Congress that would deal a death-blow to our country's entire intelligence system.


Please send your check to us today, while our appeal is still fresh in your minds.

For your convenience, we've enclosed a reply card and a postage-paid reply envelope.


James Angleton
Chairman
Former Chief
Counterintelligence, CIA

Sincerely,


Elbridge Durbrow
President
U.S. Ambassador (Ret.)


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Worldwide Effort Being Launched to 'Destabilize' CIA

By George Lardner Jr.
Washington Post Staff Writer

Perched just below Dupont Circle is the apparently temporary headquarters of a new international campaign to "destabilize" the Central Intelligence Agency.

The anti-CIA announcements are being made in Havana, but the vehicle is a magazine being put together by former CIA officer Philip Agee, "the agency's No. 1 nemesis," and a number of colleagues bent on "exposing CIA personnel and operations whenever and wherever we find them."

The new publication, which is expected to appear roughly six times a year, is called the Covert Action Information Bulletin, and its tone is uncompromising. Urging a worldwide effort to print the name of anyone who works abroad for the CIA, Agee advises readers of the premier issue not to stop there. Once the names have been made public, he recommends:

"Then organize public demonstrations against those named—both at the American embassy and at their homes—and, where possible, bring pressure on the government to throw them out. Peaceful protest will do the job. And when it doesn't, those whom the CIA has most oppressed will find other ways of fighting back."

Agee concludes: "We can all aid this struggle, together with the struggle for socialism and the United States itself."

"This thing is incredible ... unbelievable," exclaimed CIA spokesman Herbert Hetu. "The motivation of these people has got to be more than that they're just ticked off at the CIA."

"This goes beyond whistle-blowing," Hetu added of the magazine. "Whistle-blowing is supposed to be directed at wrong doing. These people are operating under the overall pretext that everything we do is wrong."

Expelled from Britain and a succession of other Western European countries over the past two years, Agee is reportedly living in Rome, but the magazine is being published here by CI Publications Inc., a nonprofit corporation set up in the District on Dec. 22.

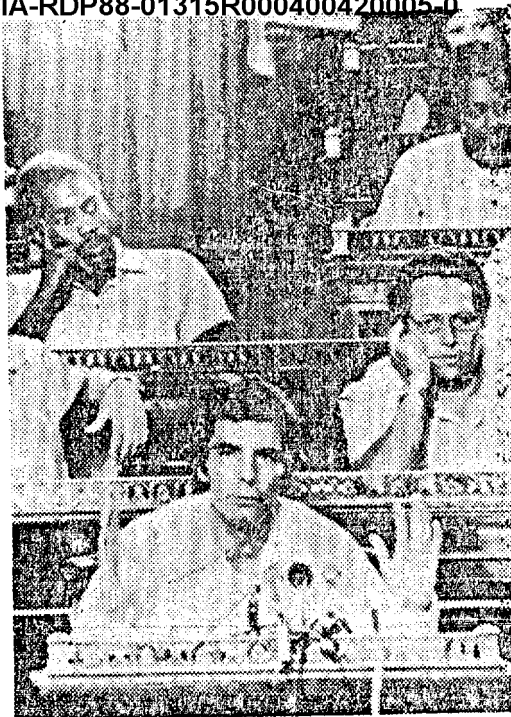
Its incorporators, directors and officers are William H. Schaap, a lawyer and editor in chief of a newsletter called the Military Law Reporter; Ellen Ray, a colleague of Schaap on various boards and projects; and Louis Wolf, coeditor with Agee of a new book entitled "Dirty Work: The CIA in Western Europe."

It is designed partly as a how-to-do-it book aimed at "breaking the 'cover' of thousands of CIA agents around the world."

The headquarters of C. I. Publications Inc. is given in the incorporation papers as a sixth-floor suite in the DuPont Circle Building at 1346 Connecticut Ave. NW, which houses the Public Law Education Institute.

The institute's president, Thomas P. Alder, told a reporter yesterday he had not been aware of Schaap's use of the address for his "sideshow" magazine and indicated he would put a stop to it. The Institute publishes the Military Law Reporter Schapp edits.

The financing for the new undertaking was unclear.



Associated Press

Agee testifies in Havana at so-called "tribunal against imperialism." The former CIA officer and some colleagues bent on "exposing CIA personnel and operations" are putting together the Covert Action Information Bulletin.

who could answer such questions were still in Havana, where they have been taking part in an anti-CIA tribunal that began last week as part of the International Youth Festival.

In announcing the plans there, Agee and Schapp have said they hope to establish a worldwide network of "researchers" who will keep CIA officers under close scrutiny and forward their names to the Covert Action Information Bulletin for publication. Others associated with Agee in the so-called "CIA Watch" are James and Elsie Wilcott, former CIA finance and support personnel who are also taking part in the Havana festival.

In a joint statement in the first (July 1978) issue of Covert Action entitled "Who We Are," Agee and the others describe the magazine as a successor "Counter-Spy," which went out of business a year and a half ago.

Counter-Spy folded after a welter of controversy over the 1975 assassination in Athens of CIA station chief Richard S. Welch. The magazine had earlier listed Welch's name as a CIA official stationed in Peru.

Unlike Counter-Spy, Agee and the others said in the first issue of Covert Action, "We are confident that there will be sufficient subscribers to make this publication a permanent weapon in the fight against the CIA, the FBI, military intelligence and all the other instruments of U.S. imperialist oppression throughout the world."

According to John H. Rees, editor of a conservative newsletter called Information Digest and Washington correspondent for the Review of the News magazine (originally put out by the John Birch Society), Schaap is a member of the National Lawyers Guild, and, with Ray, served on the Counter-Spy magazine advisory board. The two also participated together in the National Lawyers Guild's Southeast Asia Military Law Project and served as the guild's observers in February 1977 at the Baader-Meinhoff trials in Hamburg. Rees reported in Information Digest's latest issue.

Several hundred copies of Covert Action were reportedly sent from Washington, and more were distributed in Havana.